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AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 17-332, 17-333 AND 17-336, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES;
RELATING TO HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 17-332, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 17-332. Form and contents of license; duplicate licenses;
5 period of validity

6 A. Licenses and license materials shall be prepared by the department
7 and furnished and charged to dealers authorized to issue licenses. The
8 license shall be issued in the name of the department and countersigned by an
9 issuing dealer. Except as provided by rule adopted by the commission, each
10 license shall be signed by the licensee in ink on the face of the license and
11 any license not signed is invalid. With each license authorizing the taking
12 of big game the department shall provide such tags as the commission may
13 prescribe, which the licensee shall attach to the big game animal in such
14 manner as prescribed by the commission. The commission shall limit the
15 number of big game permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing to ten
16 per cent or fewer of the total hunt permits, but in extraordinary
17 circumstances, at a public meeting the commission may increase the number of
18 permits issued to nonresidents in a random drawing if, on separate roll call
19 votes, the members of the commission unanimously:

20 1. Support the finding of a specifically described extraordinary
21 circumstance.

22 2. Adopt the increased number of nonresident permits for the hunt.

23 B. The commission shall issue with each license a shipping permit
24 entitling the holder of the license to a shipment of game or fish as provided
25 by article 4 of this chapter.

26 C. It is unlawful, except as provided by the commission, for any
27 person to apply for or obtain in any one license year more than one original
28 license permitting the taking of big game. A duplicate license or tag may be
29 issued by the department or by a license dealer if the person requesting such
30 license or tag furnishes the information deemed necessary by the commission.
31 A fee of four dollars shall be collected for each duplicate license or tag
32 issued.

33 D. No license or permit is transferable, nor shall such license or
34 permit be used by anyone except the person to whom such license or permit was
35 issued, except that:

36 1. A person may transfer the person's big game permit or tag to a
37 qualified organization for use by a minor child who has a life threatening
38 medical condition or by a minor child who has a permanent physical
39 disability. The commission may prescribe the manner and conditions of
40 transferring and using permits and tags under this paragraph. If a
41 physically disabled child is under ~~the age of~~ fourteen YEARS OF AGE, the
42 child must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter education course or
43 another comparable hunter education course that is approved by the director.
44 For the purposes of this paragraph:

1 (a) "Disability" means a permanent physical impairment that
2 substantially limits one or more of the child's major life activities
3 requiring the assistance of another person or A mechanical device for
4 physical mobility.

5 (b) "Qualified organization" means a nonprofit organization that is
6 qualified under section 501(c)(3) of the United States internal revenue code
7 and that affords opportunities and experiences to children with life
8 threatening medical conditions or with physical disabilities.

9 2. A parent, grandparent or legal guardian may allow the parent's,
10 grandparent's or guardian's minor child or minor grandchild to use the
11 parent's, grandparent's or guardian's big game permit or tag to take big game
12 pursuant to the following requirements:

13 (a) The parent, grandparent or guardian must transfer the permit or
14 tag to the child in a manner prescribed by the commission.

15 (b) The parent or guardian must accompany the child in the field or,
16 if a grandparent allows a minor grandchild to use the grandparent's permit or
17 tag, the grandparent, THE parent or the child's guardian must accompany the
18 child in the field. In either case, the adult must be within fifty yards of
19 the child when the animal is taken.

20 (c) The child must possess a class F or class G license and, if under
21 the age of fourteen, must satisfactorily complete the Arizona hunter
22 education course or another comparable hunter education course that is
23 approved by the director.

24 (d) Any big game that is taken counts toward the child's bag limit.

25 E. No refunds may be made for the purchase of a license or permit.

26 F. Licenses are valid for a license year and expire on December 31
27 except for special licenses issued by the commission, pioneer complimentary
28 licenses AS PROVIDED BY SECTION 17-336, resident and nonresident trapping
29 licenses, sport falconry licenses and classes B, C and D licenses as provided
30 in section 17-333 and lifetime class A, F and G licenses and lifetime trout
31 stamps as provided in section 17-335.01. Trapping licenses are valid from
32 July 1 through June 30 of the following year. Lifetime licenses and lifetime
33 trout stamps are valid for the lifetime of the licensee.

34 Sec. 2. Section 17-333, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

35 17-333. Licenses; classes; fees; definition

36 A. Licenses shall be divided into classes and maximum fees to be paid
37 for such licenses are as follows:

38 1. Class A, general fishing license, valid for the taking of all
39 aquatic wildlife, except trout statewide, and aquatic wildlife from
40 commission designated urban waters, resident, twenty-five dollars;
41 nonresident, eighty-five dollars, except that the maximum fee for a class A
42 license issued in November or December is one-half of the fee otherwise
43 prescribed by this paragraph.

2. Trout stamp, validates general and lifetime class A licenses for the taking of trout, resident, fifteen dollars; nonresident, sixty dollars. The stamp is valid for a license year and expires on December 31, whether it validates a general or lifetime license.

3. Class B, nonresident general four month fishing license, valid for the taking of all aquatic wildlife, except from commission designated urban waters, thirty-eight dollars.

4. Class C, nonresident general five-day fishing license, valid for the taking of all aquatic wildlife, except from commission designated urban waters, thirty-four dollars and nine dollars for each additional day.

5. Class D, one-day fishing license, valid for the taking of all aquatic wildlife, resident, sixteen dollars and eight dollars for each additional day; nonresident, eighteen dollars and nine dollars for each additional day.

6. Resident youth group two-day fishing license, valid for taking all aquatic wildlife, except on the Colorado river, issued to a nonprofit organization which sponsors adult supervised activities for groups of juveniles fourteen years of age through seventeen years of age, not to exceed twenty juveniles for any one group license, twenty-five dollars.

7. Class E, Colorado river fishing license, valid for the taking of all aquatic wildlife, nonresident, fifty-five dollars.

8. Class F, combination general hunting and fishing license, valid for the taking of all aquatic wildlife, except from commission designated urban waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds, upland game birds and migratory game birds, except ducks, geese and swans, resident, sixty dollars; nonresident, two hundred seventy dollars.

9. Urban fishing license, valid for taking all aquatic wildlife from commission designated urban waters, residents and nonresidents, twenty-one dollars. The privileges granted by a pioneer COMPLIMENTARY license ISSUED UNDER SECTION 17-336, PARAGRAPH 2 shall include the right to fish in all commission designated urban waters.

10. Class G, general hunting license, valid for the taking of small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds, upland game birds and migratory game birds, except ducks, geese and swans, resident, thirty-five dollars; nonresident, one hundred eighty-five dollars.

11. Class H, three-day hunting license, valid for the taking of small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds, upland game birds and migratory game birds, except ducks, geese and swans, nonresident, sixty-seven dollars.

12. Class I, resident family fishing licenses, valid for taking all aquatic wildlife, except aquatic wildlife from commission designated urban waters, issued to members of an immediate family residing in the same household. The fees for persons who are licensed pursuant to this paragraph are:

1 (a) For one adult licensed under this paragraph, the current fee for a
2 class A general fishing license and trout stamp, including any surcharge
3 pursuant to section 17-345.

4 (b) For any additional adult licensed under this paragraph in the
5 immediate family, eighty per cent of the current fee for a class A general
6 fishing license and trout stamp, including any surcharge pursuant to section
7 17-345.

8 (c) Two dollars for any child licensed under this paragraph in the
9 immediate family.

10 13. Class J, resident family hunting license, valid for taking small
11 game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds,
12 upland game birds and migratory game birds, except ducks, geese and swans,
13 issued to members of an immediate family residing in the same household. The
14 fees for persons who are licensed pursuant to this paragraph are:

15 (a) For one adult licensed under this paragraph, the current fee for a
16 class G general hunting license, including any surcharge pursuant to section
17 17-345.

18 (b) For any additional adult licensed under this paragraph in the
19 immediate family, eighty per cent of the current fee for a class G general
20 hunting license, including any surcharge pursuant to section 17-345.

21 (c) Fifteen dollars for any child licensed under this paragraph in the
22 immediate family.

23 14. Class K, combination resident family hunting and fishing license,
24 valid for taking all aquatic wildlife, except from commission designated
25 urban waters, small game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame
26 animals, nongame birds, upland game birds and migratory game birds, except
27 ducks, geese and swans, issued to members of an immediate family residing in
28 the same household. The fees for persons who are licensed pursuant to this
29 paragraph are:

30 (a) For one adult licensed under this paragraph, the current fee for a
31 class F combination general hunting and fishing license, including any
32 surcharge pursuant to section 17-345.

33 (b) For any additional adult licensed under this paragraph in the
34 immediate family, eighty per cent of the current fee for a class F
35 combination general hunting and fishing license, including any surcharge
36 pursuant to section 17-345.

37 (c) Twenty dollars for any child licensed under this paragraph in the
38 immediate family.

39 15. Class L, super conservation fishing license, valid for taking all
40 aquatic wildlife, including trout and aquatic wildlife from commission
41 designated urban waters, resident, fifty dollars; nonresident, sixty dollars.

42 16. Class M, super conservation hunting license, valid for taking small
43 game, fur-bearing animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds,
44 upland game birds and migratory game birds, except ducks, geese and swans,

1 and including tags and stamps prescribed by the commission, resident, one
2 hundred fifteen dollars.

3 17. Class N, combination super conservation hunting and fishing
4 license, valid for taking all aquatic wildlife, including trout and aquatic
5 wildlife from commission designated urban waters, small game, fur-bearing
6 animals, predatory animals, nongame animals, nongame birds, upland game birds
7 and migratory game birds, except ducks, geese and swans, and including tags
8 and stamps prescribed by the commission, resident, one hundred sixty dollars.

9 18. Javelina tag, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for taking
10 javelina, resident, thirty dollars; nonresident, one hundred twenty-five
11 dollars.

12 19. Turkey tag, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for taking
13 turkey, resident, twenty-five dollars; nonresident, ninety dollars.

14 20. Bear tag, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for the taking
15 of bear, resident, thirty dollars; nonresident, two hundred seventy-five
16 dollars.

17 21. Mountain lion tag, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for
18 the taking of mountain lion, resident, nineteen dollars; nonresident, two
19 hundred fifty dollars.

20 22. Deer tag class A, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for
21 the taking of deer, resident, one hundred fifty dollars; nonresident, one
22 thousand two hundred dollars. Deer tag class B, validates class F, G, J, K,
23 M or N, for the taking of deer, resident, fifty dollars; nonresident, three
24 hundred twenty-five dollars. Not more than five per cent of the total deer
25 tags issued in any calendar year shall be class A tags.

26 23. Antelope tag, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for the
27 taking of antelope, resident, ninety dollars; nonresident, six hundred thirty
28 dollars.

29 24. Elk tag class A, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for the
30 taking of elk, resident, three hundred fifty dollars; nonresident, three
31 thousand two hundred dollars. Elk tag class B, validates class F, G, J, K, M
32 or N for the taking of elk, resident, one hundred fifty dollars; nonresident,
33 seven hundred seventy-five dollars. Not more than five per cent of the total
34 elk tags issued in any calendar year shall be class A tags.

35 25. Bighorn sheep tag, validates class F, G, J, K, M or N license for
36 the taking of bighorn sheep, resident, three hundred thirty-five dollars;
37 nonresident, three thousand dollars.

38 26. Private game farm license, seventy-five dollars.

39 27. Minnow dealer's license, forty dollars.

40 28. Guide license, five hundred dollars.

41 29. Taxidermist license, two hundred fifty dollars.

42 30. Wildlife hobby license, five dollars.

43 31. Zoo license, one hundred thirty dollars.

44 32. Shooting preserve license, one hundred thirty dollars.

45 33. Field trial license, seven dollars.

1 34. Trapping license, resident, fifty dollars; nonresident, five
2 hundred dollars; resident juvenile trapping license, fourteen years of age
3 through seventeen years of age, thirty dollars.

4 35. Fur dealer's license, one hundred thirty dollars.

5 36. Permit application fee, ten dollars.

6 37. State waterfowl stamp, validates class F, G, H, K, L, M or N
7 license for taking ducks, geese and swans, ten dollars.

8 38. State migratory bird stamp, validates class F, G or H license or
9 complimentary or lifetime license for taking migratory birds or grouse, six
10 dollars.

11 39. White amur (*ctenopharyngodon idellus*) stocking license, three
12 hundred dollars.

13 40. License dealer's license, a minimum of twenty-five dollars and a
14 maximum of one hundred twenty-five dollars provided, however, that the
15 maximum of one hundred twenty-five dollars may be exceeded by a dealer with
16 multiple business establishments who shall pay an additional fee of
17 twenty-five dollars for each establishment at which licenses will be sold.

18 41. Resident lifetime classes A, F and G licenses and resident lifetime
19 trout stamp as provided by section 17-335.01.

20 42. Two-pole stamp, validates general or lifetime class A, B, C, D, E
21 or F license, ~~pioneer~~ COMPLIMENTARY LICENSE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 17-336,
22 PARAGRAPH 2 or urban fishing license or class I fishing license issued to an
23 individual member of an immediate family for simultaneous fishing with two
24 lines, resident, eight dollars; nonresident, twenty-four dollars. The stamp
25 is valid for a license year and expires on December 31 regardless of whether
26 it validates a general or lifetime license.

27 43. Sport falconry license, valid for possessing and transporting
28 raptors as prescribed by the commission and validates class G general hunting
29 license for hunting or taking quarry with a trained raptor, one hundred
30 dollars. The license is valid from the date it is issued by the department
31 until the third December from the date of issue.

32 B. The commission shall set fees for classes of licenses designated in
33 subsection A of this section for firearms, bow and arrow and all other
34 authorized devices within the maximum limit authorized. The commission may
35 establish subclassifications within a class of license, permit or tag and set
36 a fee for each subclassification within the maximum authorized limit. The
37 commission may reduce license fees any amount deemed necessary. If it
38 becomes necessary to limit or further regulate the taking of any species of
39 wildlife, the commission may order issuance of an additional license or
40 permit and fix fees for such license or permit.

41 C. For the purposes of this section, "immediate family" means one
42 adult, or two adults who are married to each other, and their minor children,
43 if any, who will be at least fourteen years of age during the license year,
44 including adoptive children, stepchildren, foster children and other children
45 for whom they are legal guardians.

1 Sec. 3. Section 17-336, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
2 17-336. Complimentary licenses

3 The commission may issue a complimentary license to:

4 1. A ~~pioneer-seventy~~ SENIOR HUNTER WHO IS SIXTY-FIVE years of age or
5 older AND who ~~has been a resident of this state for twenty five or more~~ FOR
6 THE FIVE consecutive years immediately preceding application for the license
7 HAS HELD A CLASS G GENERAL HUNTING LICENSE ISSUED IN THIS STATE. The ~~pioneer~~
8 SENIOR HUNTER license is valid for the lifetime of the licensee, and the
9 commission shall not require renewal of the license.

10 2. A veteran of the armed forces of the United States who has been a
11 resident of this state for one year or more immediately preceding application
12 for the license and who is receiving compensation from the United States
13 government for permanent service connected disabilities rated as one hundred
14 per cent disabling.

15 Sec. 4. Existing pioneer licenses

16 This act does not affect the validity or terms of a complimentary
17 license issued before the effective date of this act to a pioneer pursuant to
18 section 17-336, paragraph 1, Arizona Revised Statutes. Those licenses remain
19 effective for the lifetime of the licensees according to their terms when
20 issued.